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*To the Honorable the Speaker and the Members of the House of Assembly in  
Tasmania, in Parliament assembled.*

The humble Petition of Charles Wallace Hall.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioner is the holder of a block of 500 acres of Land under the Pre-emptive Right Regulations of November, 1851.

That your Petitioner has cleared and improved a large portion of the said Land, in accordance with the tenor of the said Regulations ; but that, although he has made these improvements, he is, by the operation of the Electoral Act, rendered ineligible to vote for the Election of Members of Parliament for the District in which his Land is situated.

That there are upwards of nine hundred other holders of Land under the said Regulations who are also disfranchised owing to the want of some provision in the Electoral Act by which they could be placed on the Electoral Roll.

That your Petitioner applied to the Revising Justices to have his name placed on the Electoral Roll, but that they refused so to do, on the ground that the holders of Land under the Pre-emptive Right Regulations were not enfranchised by the Electoral Act, no matter how much the property may have been improved or increased in value.

That your Petitioner humbly prays your Honorable House to take some steps to enable the holders of Land under the Pre-emptive Right Regulations to exercise the Electoral Franchise.

And your Petitioner will ever pray, &c.

CHARLES WALLACE HALL.